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POSSIBLE FURTHER EXPLANATION FOR CONFUSION CONCERNING NUMBER OF RESIDENTS OF OCCUPIED TERRITORIES HELD BY ISRAEL UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE DETENTION WAS PROVIDED BY LOCAL ICRC DELEGATE IN RECENT CONVERSATION. HE SAID ARABS, IN PARTICULAR PLO AND OTHER BEIRUT-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, OFTEN USE FIGURE OF 1300 (ABOUT HALF OF TOTAL ARAB PRISONERS) AS NUMBER OF DETAINEES. HE NOTED THERE SOME LOGIC TO THIS FROM THEIR POINT OF VIEW SINCE THIS WAS APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PRISONERS BEING HELD (DETAINED, CHARGED OR CONVICTED) ONLY FOR "MEMBERSHIP IN ILLEGAL ORGANIZATION" AND NOT FOR SPECIFIC TERRORIST OR OTHER ACT. SINCE MOST ADMINISTRATIVE DETAINEES ARE UNDER DETENTION BECAUSE OF ILLEGAL AFFILIATION WITH "ILLEGAL ORGANIZATION" ARABS TENDED TO LUMP TOGETHER ALL OF THOSE HELD ONLY ON THESE GROUNDS. DAY

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